

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please **AMEND** claim 1 as shown below.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for fabricating a counter electrode for a dye-sensitized solar cell, the method comprising:

co-sputtering platinum and a metal oxide as target materials onto a substrate; and

forming a counter electrode including nanocrystalline platinum and an amorphous, porous metal oxide on the substrate, wherein the counter electrode has a non-layered structure,

~~wherein the metal oxide comprises a metal having an open structure and wherein the~~
metal oxide is a titanium oxide ~~selected from oxides of tantalum, silicon, titanium, and nickel.~~
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the metal oxide has a refractive index of 2 or higher.
3. (Canceled)
4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the metal oxide has an electric conductivity of 0.1 S/m or more.
- 5-14. (Canceled)